

ROPELLA JAMES F  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
ROPELLA JAMES F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FIRST BUSINESS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. [FBIZ]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
401 CHARMANY DRIVE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/25/2013

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior VP and CFO

MADISON, WI 53719

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	01/25/2013		M		10,000	A	\$ 22
Common Stock	01/25/2013		F		9,599	D	\$ 23.52
Common Stock							10,300
Common Stock							225
						I	By IRA
						I	By Spouse

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22	01/25/2013		M	10,000	<u>(1)</u> 01/27/2013	Common Stock	10,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24					<u>(2)</u> 10/18/2014	Common Stock	4,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROPELLA JAMES F 401 CHARMANY DRIVE MADISON, WI 53719			Senior VP and CFO	

## Signatures

/s/ Mark T. Plichta, Attorney-in-Fact for James F. Ropella  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person  
 01/29/2013  
 Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
  - \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The option vested and became exercisable in four equal annual installments on January 27, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007.

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(2) The option vested and became exercisable in four equal annual installments on October 18, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008.

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